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REQUEST FOR EXTENSION OF TIME

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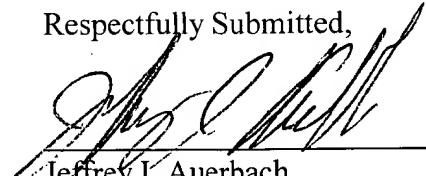
Applicants' Notice of Appeal was filed on November 12, 2002, and accordingly Applicants' Appeal Brief was due on January 12, 2003. Applicants respectfully request an extension of time of one (1) month within which to file an Appeal Brief in order to timely file the enclosed Request for Continued Examination (RCE). The fee of \$110.00 is enclosed by check.

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